

WEATHER.
Milwaukee and Winona, partly
cloudy and mostly clear; winds
at 10 miles per hour. Field and
factory, variable winds, shifting
in both northward.

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ACTUAL CIRCULATION 57,647

"USING MONEY IN LARGE QUANTITIES" IN ELECTIONS "AN ASSAULT UPON A MOST ESSENTIAL PRINCIPLE OF POPULAR GOVERNMENT"

In a recent decision the supreme court of Wisconsin uttered these words: "The charge of using money in large quantities in the hope and expectation of thereby promoting his own candidacy for the United States senate is the most degrading one to make against any public man. Such an act is an assault upon a most essential principle of popular government, which, to be successful, must assume the free selection of officials on grounds of fitness. It pretends a superiority before the law of the corrupt man of wealth over the man of ability and integrity who, either from poverty or principle, is debarred from similar means of securing support. It evinces a willingness to corrupt the legislature, and dangerous looseness of morals. Gloomy indeed would be the prospect if we must believe that such conduct would not evoke general condemnation and disgust."

UNCLE IKE SPENT \$107,793.05 IN SEPTEMBER PRIMARY; \$2 PER VOTE; SUM OF 14 YEARS' SALARY AS SENATOR

CANDIDATE HAS FILED HIS ACCOUNT OF EXPENSES

POSTAGE STAMP ACCOUNT IS \$7,347.69 AND
NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING \$16,495.
GOT 56,000 VOTES AS RESULT
OF HIS EFFORTS

Section 6010 of the Revenue Statutes, 1891, as amended by chapter 502, laws of 1908, provides:

"That any person who shall be a candidate . . . shall, within thirty days after the election held to fill such office, account and file . . . a statement in writing . . . in which each item in excess of \$1 in money or property contributed, disbursed, expended or expended by him in the conduct of his campaign, and the amount of his expenses in his behalf, whether in or out of the state, shall be set forth in detail, and the names of the persons in his behalf, whether in or out of the state, and the persons to whom he gave the money or property, and the total aggregate sum paid, expended or disbursed by such candidate in any sum or sums whatever. Such statement shall be filed with the clerk of the house of representatives of the state in which he is a candidate for the office he is seeking, and shall be open to inspection by any member of either house of the legislature, and any member who shall fail to do so shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100, nor more than \$500."

The recent statement of Isaac Stephenson shows that he spent \$107,793.05 in the United States senatorial primary campaign.

It admits that Mr. Stephenson spent at least \$16,495 in advertising, which is the maximum amount allowed by the rest of the state.

The sum of \$11,339 was spent for postage stamp, \$7,347.69 for printing and \$16,495.25 for newspaper advertising. There is a subsequent item of \$31,850 for prudential advertising.

In the same statement \$1,000 was spent for the printing of 56,000 votes. His expenditure on average cost about \$2 per vote.

A United States senator's term is six years and the salary is \$7,500. Mr. Stephenson's expenditures exceed what he is salary as senator by \$107,793.05, or about 14 years' worth of salary, or two and a third term. The text is as follows:

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